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Subject: Discussion of Sites with Yakama representative

On September 25, 1997 I discussed disposition of the following sites with Moses Dick Squeochs, Environmental Protection Program Manager for the Yakima Indian Nation:

#4-260035 Pistoiresi & Son, Toppenish
#4-260063 Pure Gro, Toppenish
#4-260071 Wapato Fruit & Cold Storage
#4-260111 Wapato Fruit & Cold Storage

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Mr. Squeochs said that he was not aware of any problems resulting from, or continuing since, the removal of underground storage tanks at any of these sites.

He said that the Yakima Nation has a program for reacquiring properties within its boundaries. In that regard, if any uncertainty remains for a specific site, he would support a CONDITIONAL Closure letter from EPA. He requested that copies of any such letters be sent to him.

He also said that he has previously had discussions with Geoff and Robert about, some day doing area-wide assessment of the ground-water conditions around Toppenish. He would like to re-address that possibility at some future date.

My site specific comments and recommendations:

#4-260035 Six tanks (diesel and gasoline) removed in September 1990. Only one soil sample collected (0.53mg/Kg TPH). Not enough information to determine clean closure.

RECOMMENDATION: send a conditional closure letter with "potential future liability" clause similar to the following:

In the event additional information becomes available indicating the site may pose a hazard to human health or the environment, EPA may require additional cleanup activity until target cleanup levels are achieved.

#4-260063 Three tanks removed in May 1988. Approximately 5CY of diesel contaminated soil was removed from the site for land spreading. No analytical data is available in the file.

RECOMMENDATION: same as for #4-260035.

#4-260071 One tank was closed in 1988 (no data) and one tank in 1994 (clean). Notes in file between Geoff Keeler and Robert Cutler suggest that this file be closed.

RECOMMENDATION: same as for #4-260035, or combine with letter for second Wapato Fruit site, below.

#4-260111 Five tanks removed in August 1991. Contaminated soil left in place estimated by consultant at "under 10 cubic yards. Message in file indicates that Eric Wilmans had approved this site for non-clean closure. No letter was sent.

RECOMMENDATION: Send non-clean closure letter.

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